



Fruitland Magnesium Fire Incident

Outdoor Cleanup Process

Cleanup has begun in outdoor residential areas. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and its contractors will be reviewing individual properties on the north side of 52nd Avenue in Maywood, CA to assess and cleanup the outdoor areas.

Assessments

A visual inspection for ash will be conducted across the property. If there is visible ash, then the property will be scheduled for cleanup and the resident/owner will be contacted for an appointment to discuss the scope of cleanup activities. Photo documentation of the property will be conducted before and after the cleanup activities.

Sealing Openings

Any open doors and open/broken windows will be covered with plastic sheeting during outdoor cleanup activities. This will keep outdoor ash from getting inside the home.

Waste and Debris Inspection

Household waste and debris on the property will be collected and disposed of. Recyclables that are contaminated will also be collected and disposed of.

Outdoor Cleanup

All cleanup staff will have appropriate personal protective equipment, such as dust masks, gloves, boots, and coveralls to protect from contact with ash. While cleanup activities are taking place residents during the cleanup activities residents will not be allowed on the property. The ash will be collected using an industrial vacuum with HEPA filtration and the vacuum or a water rinse will be used to remove ash from items.

- **Roofs:** A 40' lift will be used to inspect the roof and visible ash will be collected, without walking on the roof, using the industrial vacuum.
- **Structures:** Visible ash will be removed from the outside walls of all structures using the industrial vacuum.
- **Concrete and/or asphalt surfaces:** Visible ash will be removed from all horizontal hard surfaces using the industrial vacuum.
- **Lawns, plants, exposed soil:** Visible ash will be removed using the industrial vacuum.
- **Outdoor Items:** Items such as plastic furniture, tools, toys, bicycles, etc. will be

thoroughly rinsed with clean water within a temporary plastic enclosure to remove ash.

Next Steps

If there are no indoor concerns based on sampling results, the next step will be to schedule an appointment with the residents/owners to discuss the work that was completed outdoors.

Residents/owners of homes on the north side of E. 52nd Ave. that were identified by indoor sampling as needing cleanup will be contacted to discuss that process.